Your Problems

By Ann Landers

DEAR ANN: I'm a college sophomore, 20, who is in too darned deep with a high school senior. She writes me two letters a day and calls me long-distance twice a week. She spends all her allowance on these long-distance calls and I feel lousy about it.

All she talks about is the ring I'm going to give her when she graduates from high school. She also plans to go to work to "help me through college." I don't need any help, but she insists this is what she wants to do.

About that ring, it isn't a diamond, it's a pearl, and it belonged to my grandmother. To be nonest with you, I don't feel the same about her as I did when I was in high school. She seems too young and overly emotional.

How can I extricate myself without shaking up this child? She doesn't date any other fellows and in today's letter she said she bought a cedar chest. Help!—VIC.

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And how did this "child" know about your grandmother's pearl ring, Big Mouth? It looks very much as if you gave her a reason to believe she might have use for a cedar chest in the near future.

Before she spends any more money on the long-distance telephone, suggest that she get back into circulation pronto. A clean break will be less painful than letting the deception drag on and on. If you don't act swiftly, you're apt to get an invitation to a wedding in the mail one of these days. Your own.

Title for Stepfather

DEAR ANN: My mother recently remarried. Her new husband is a grand person and we are all extremely fond of him. My own father was a scoundrel who was unspeakably cruel and thoroughly despised by everyone. Our preschool children never knew my real father, and if it is within my power, they never will.

The problem is this. I would like the children to call Mother's present husband "Grandfather." My own husband is against this. He says the man is not their grandfather and they should call him "Uncle." He says they have his father and one grandfather is sufficient. Please advise. — ANOTHER ANN.

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Dear Ann: If your husband can prove that your stepfather is an uncle to his children, he can call me "Grandmother."

Of course they should call the man Grandfather. One is NOT enough, if they have two.

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DEAR ANN LANDERS: This letter is for E.J.K. who complained that his wife was such a sloppy housekeeper that it got on his nerves.

I'm the mother of seven children. Four years ago my husband acted just like E.J.K. He blew his top if I didn't look like a beauty queen when he came home from work. Sometimes my hair wasn't combed, the dishes weren't put away and the rugs weren't vacuumed. The fact that I had seven little ones didn't count for anything.

Learned the Hard Way

Well, the good Lord was on my side. I had a nervous breakdown. I was in the hospital several weeks. My husband had to take time off from his work to stay home with the kids until he could hire a housekeeper. He learned from experience what I had to do in the course of an average day.

After four days of it, he sat beside my bed in the hospital and held my hand. He said "I'll never complain again. I don't know how you managed as well as you did. When you get well, things will be different."

He kept his word. Now I have help with the laundry and cleaning. (He says it's cheaper than hospital and doctor bills.) He pitches in and helps with the kids, which he never did before. Saturday I have a day and evening off. We go out to dinner and see a movie. I'm happy and strong again. The breakdown was the best thing that ever happened to me. It opened my husband's eyes.—MOTHER OF SEVEN.

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(Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Something to Cry About

You'd cry, too, if you had to wear a cumbersome cast like the one holding tiny Karmyn Duncan from neck to hip in San Francisco. The tot is one of some 80,000 crippled children being aided by the Orthopaedic Hospital there, and the cast helps straighten her crooked spine.

Reform School Luxury Living

VANCOUVER (CP) — The new Girls' Industrial School just opened in nearby Burnaby looks like a smart finishing school. The spacious grounds laced with concrete walks and ornamental lighting will soon be planted with lawns and trees.

The buildings are divided into a main unit and smaller residences where the girls will live under "house mothers."

The main building contains administration quarters, vocational classrooms and an auditorium that would be envied by any Little Theatre group.

There's a swimming pool too, and a roller-skating rink.

The classrooms are set with typewriters, domestic science equipment, sewing and other handicraft machines. Fireplaces in the spacious lounges are of red brick and ceramic tile.

Furniture is maple and the kitchens are fitted in stainless steel. Bathrooms are finished in pale blue ceramic tile.

In the maximum security section the "cells" are painted in different pastel shades.

Communists Forbid Longhairs

SOFIA, Bulgaria (WNS) —Schoolgirls in Bulgaria are now forbidden to wear long hair. Some who have dared to wear a pony tail have had their hair cut in public by policemen. Boys in the Communist country must not let their hair grow longer than one-half inch.

New Regent Chairs IODE Chapter Meet

New regent of the Municipal Chapter, IODE, Mrs. Owen Fowler presided at the recent meeting at which new conveners were appointed. These include: Mrs. L. Paynter, films; Mrs. A. Alexander, Empire Study; Mrs. W. G. Beevers, Commonwealth and Empire; Mrs. W. P. McColl, publicity; Mrs. A. Reid, public relations; Mrs. J. L. Gates, visitors; Mrs. C. Riach, immigration; and Mrs. W. Marmo, civil defence.

Parents Cha-Cha For Love

BERLIN (WNS)—In order to regain the love of their children, Berlin mothers are going to school to learn such subjects as rock 'n' roll and cha-cha, to "cure the eternal conflicts between generations." Classes are held weekly and include music-appreciation courses in the records of Elvis Presley and Pat Boone. Dance classes feature steps which are so new that "even your children haven't learned them yet."

Puffing Patterns Vary

Men Predominate In Smoking World

WASHINGTON (AP) — Smoking still is a lot more popular among men than it is among women, the world over.

A study by a House of Representatives tobacco subcommittee shows, for example, that seven out of 10 U.S. males smoke. Only a little more than three out of 10 American women do.

The situation is similar, the study says, in Britain, Canada, Sweden and Denmark — except that some Danish women favor cigars and cigarillos to cigarets.

The subcommittee made the study to determine what can be done to increase declining U.S. tobacco sales abroad.

In the course of this task, it discovered that people are puffing away at a record rate.

But the smoking patterns vary.

Britons, for example, are among the world's most loyal smokers. Their consumption continues to rise despite heavy taxes and a cigaret price averaging 50 cents a pack.

FRENCH ARBITRARY

West Germans—like Americans—are growing fonder of filter tip cigarets. The French tobacco monopoly often sells cigarets with dark leaf from French territories whether French smokers "want them or not."

The subcommittee also addressed itself to the question: Why do people smoke, anyway?

SOCIAL DEMANDS

"A surprising number of reasons are psychological" the study says, "associated with the stress, tensions and social demands of the modern world."

"Most smokers admit that there is more involved in smoking than what is obtained from tobacco itself, but that the tobacco does offer, with its nicotine, a real physiological feeling of tranquility and a variety of tastes."

FAMOUS CHURCH

St. Botolph's Church at Boston in Lincolnshire, England, famed for its 300-foot spire, dates from the 13th century.

Lady Laurier Club Elects New Officers

At the recent annual meeting of the Lady Laurier Club of Oak Bay, the following were elected to office for the forthcoming year: Mrs. P. A. Gibbs, honorary president; Mrs. G. F. Gregory, honorary vice-president; Mrs. F. T. Fairey, honorary second vice-president; Mrs. J. T. Jones, president; Mrs. H. L. Ramsay, vice-president; Mrs. H. Menzies, second vice-president; Mrs. W. G. Ellis, secretary; Mrs. E. P. Walker, treasurer; and Mrs. D. J. Davidson, Mrs. D. Elford, Mrs. K. Millburn and Mrs. A. Ruskowski, directors.

Latest Thing

A sari overblouse tops slim pants in this lounging pajama set of organza silver flame.

Clubs, Societies

'This Is Your Life' Birthday Surprise

Mrs. Harold Ker, representative of Arbutus Toastmistress Club, received a novel presentation last week when she visited the Sidney Madrona Club on her birthday.

Members had prepared a written booklet on the highlights of her life. As the story of her marriage was told, Mrs. Ker's husband, her two children, Gordon and Lorraine, and her niece, Gwen Rose, entered the room. When her part in the founding of the Arbutus Club was recounted, several of her fellow charter-members appeared, to offer their congratulations.

Mrs. Jean Kempton was winner of the Oscar at the meeting, and the Spur was awarded to Mrs. T. H. Jahn.

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An opportuunity to make and meet friends awaits guests at the spring tea to be held April 7 from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. in the First Battalion, PPCLI, sergeants' mess, Work Point barracks. Sponsoring the tea will be the St. Barbara's Chapel Guild. Mrs. N. Featherstone will be convener with Mrs. R. Bruce and Mrs. R. Reynolds assisting.

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Members of the Sooke WA to Branch No. 54, Canadian Legion, will be guests at a Legion banquet to be held today at Grouse Nest Lodge. Next meeting of the WA is Monday, April 6, at 8 p.m., to finalize plans for a card party in the club rooms April 10, when proceeds will go towards the new Sooke ambulance fund. Delegates from the WA will go to a district council meeting at Chemainus on April 10.

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Primrose Lodge No. 32, Daughters of England will hold a primrose tea in the Douglas Room of the Hudson's Bay Company, Tuesday, April 7 at 2 p.m.

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Local Council of Women will meet in the Music Room of the Public Library at 9.30 a.m. Tuesday, April 7. Presidents of all affiliates are invited to discuss the general year's program which will be presented at the regular meeting of the council, Monday, April 13 in the library.

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The Victoria Dental Assistants' Association will hold a rummage sale today at 2.30 p.m. in the Orange Hall.

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The XI Beta Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi will entertain mothers and friends at a social hour, April 13 at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. H. Youson.

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The Women's Auxiliary of St. Alban's Anglican Church will meet in the Parish Hall Tuesday, April 7 at 2 p.m. Mrs. F. A. Goodwin, Diocesan treasurer will be the speaker.

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The Ladies' Aid to Gorge Presbyterian Church will meet on Tuesday, April 7 at 2 p.m. in the church hall, Tillicum Road, and Walter Street.

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Fashions for nurses on and off duty will be shown at the regular meeting of the School of Nursing Alumnae of St. Joseph's Hospital Tuesday, April 7 at 8 p.m. at the nurses' residence. Student nurses will model the clothes.

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Reports from Tofino's Ladies' Hospital Auxiliary show that proceeds from the year netted more than $500. Among projects of the auxiliary were a raffle for an Indian sweater, sale of work and afternoon tea. The money was used for equipment for the hospital and members pledged to raise money for room dividers.

LOVELIER YOU

By Mary Sue Miller

GLAMOR TIP. There is nothing like gossamer stockings to glamorize the leg. And nothing like fuzz and scuff to cancel out the effect!

For the satin-smooth leg complexion, it is necessary to de-fuzz before the need becomes apparent and to massage daily with lotion. Should the skin roughen in spite of regular care, it can be normalized with this treatment:

1. Gently scrub legs with a sudsy brush, rinse and dry. 2. Mix fine table salt and mineral or body oil in saucer, until the consistency of thin paste. 3. Apply mixture to legs and massage, lightly, with fingertips or bath sponge. Do not scrub, just use firm pressure. 4. Tissue off mixture, rinse legs and dry well. 5. Slather on lotion and massage in.

After a few treatments, the legs become ultra-smooth and glossy. But do not overdo—one treatment a week is enough, and you must not attempt it if the skin is tender or blemished. But use it correctly, and you will become a devotee.

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